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MARKED-UP VERSION OF REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPHS

Replacement paragraph for the paragraph beginning at Page 1, Line 4 and ending at Page 1, line 14.

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Number 60/233,815 filed September 19, 2000 by Lujun Chen, Jim Giusti and Juan Fernandez-de-Castro, and entitled "NEW MR READER STRUCTURES BASED ON STRAY & DEMAG FIELDS WITH DOWNWARD EXTERNAL FIELD" and is also a continuation of International Application Number PCT/US 01/ 13417 ~~(Attorney Docket Number S01.13-0777-PC)~~, filed on April 26, 2001 ~~an even date herewith~~ for "GIANT MAGNETORESISTIVE SENSOR HAVING SELF-CONSISTENT DEMAGNETIZATION FIELDS," which in turn claims priority to the aforementioned U.S. provisional application.